

Virtual Fax

Concept

The SkySwitch Instant Fax service gives PBX Users the option to view received faxes and send outbound faxes directly from the PBX portal or by email.

Receiving Faxes

Configuration for the Instant Fax service is accomplished in the DID Portal. To enable it, follow these steps.

- 1. From the Reseller Dashboard, select Manage DIDs;
- 2. Purchase a new DID or edit an existing DID;
- 3. Make sure to check the box at the left side of the DID and click the Edit Route at the right side.
- 4. Instant Fax Portal is chosen as default and we need to choose the domain and user to assign the DID to.

Note: It is not possible in our system to have both services of calls and faxes to a single DID. Inbound faxes will appear in the Fax Inbox and will be emailed to the email address of the PBX User. **Note**: Inbound faxes are retained until they are deleted in the portal



Email Notifications for the user should be enabled for faxes to be sent to the user's email address. You can choose one of the notification types listed below:

- 1. None
- 2. Notification only (no link or attachment)
- 3. Send w/ hyperlink
- 4. Send w/ attachment (leave as new)
- 5. Send w/ attachment (move to saved)

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6. Send w/ attachment (move to trash)

Unified Messaging

Email Notification Options	✓ None Notification only (no link or attachment) Send w/ hyperlink Send w/ attachment (leave as new) Send w/ attachment (move to saved)
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This can be found under the Voicemail tab when editing a user in Manage PBX.



Sending Faxes

To send a fax using email to fax, view this article.

To send a fax from the PBX portal, click the Send Fax button on the Fax Inbox page.



Note: Sent faxes are only kept for 15 days. Step by Step Instructions to Send a Fax:

1. Click the Send Fax button.

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2. Choose the appropriate Cover Page option:

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Home Messager	Fax Contacts Description	Tang Fransa Fransa	Call History			
Fax			0			
Inbox •			Send Fax			
You have no messages.						
	Oread PRIX					

User Portal: 37.5.0-beta.13

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- a. None
- b. *Compose* This option will allow you to enter the text that will be sent as a cover page.
- c. *File* This option will allow you to choose a file which will be sent as a cover page. The system accepts the following files formats for the cover page: html; pdf; doc; docx; jpg; png; odt.
- 2. Choose a file to be faxed. The system accepts the following files formats for the fax document: html; pdf; doc; docx; jpg; png; odt.
- 3. Select the Caller ID number that you wish to appear on the outbound fax.
- 4. Enter the phone number of the fax recipient in the Phone Number field. 10 or 11 digit phone numbers are accepted but not 7 digits.

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- 5. Click the Send button
- 6. When the fax is accepted by the Fax Server, a notification message will be displayed.

Instant Fax Caller ID

When sending an outbound fax, you will be allowed to choose any DID that has been configured as Instant Fax Portal as the Fax CallerID that is already routed to the portal user.

If there is no Instant Fax Portal configured DID currently routed to the portal user, then the system will use 0000000000 as the Caller ID for outbound faxes.

Only subscribed users to the DID that is configured as Instant Fax Portal are able to use the DID as Fax CallerID.

When a user sends a fax from the Instant Fax Portal, the User's fax number is shown in the header of the fax document that is sent. It is not possible to show the User's fax number in the actual caller ID of the call to the receiver's fax machine

The Caller ID number selected by the User will be inserted in the header of the fax document as shown in the highlighted area below.

Fax Notifications

Once a fax is uploaded to the fax server for delivery, it will be placed into an outgoing job queue for delivery. The fax server will try to deliver the fax up to 6 attempts. If the fax is not delivered after the 6 attempts, the job will be aborted. Common reasons for non-delivery of faxes include busy numbers and humans answering the destination fax line. Users will receive a notification stating the status of the fax. Notification regarding the status of sent faxes will be placed into the Sent Folder of the Fax page (sent fax notifications will NOT be emailed to the PBX User).

Fax Contacts Conference	Answering Rules Time Frames Phones	Music on Hold
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		Send Fax
Date	Pages	
Sep 28th 2017 3:13 am	1	
Sep 28th 2017 2:55 am	1	
Sep 26th 2017 2:16 pm	1	
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Note:

Send/Receive Fax limit: 20Mb or 100 pages (whichever comes first).

HIPAA compliant fax options

- Utilizing the user's portal to retrieve fax is considered HIPAA compliant as long as email forwarding options are <u>not used.</u>
- Faxes should be sent by a single individual to the single intended recipient, <u>not a group fax</u> <u>accessible option</u>.
- FAX Portal transmission (TLS encrypted) is considered as HIPAA compliant for sending or receiving faxes.

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